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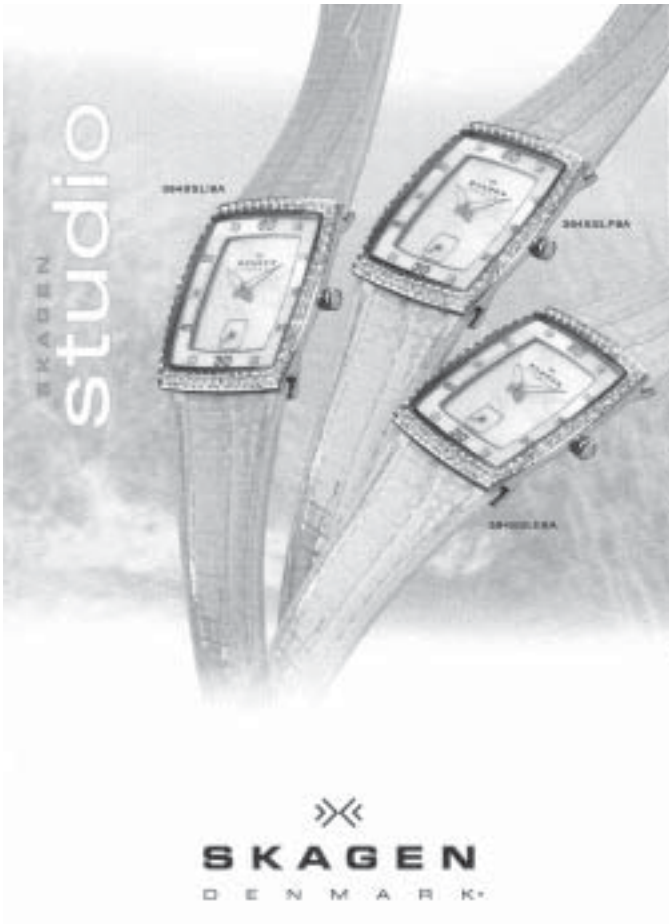
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ORR Jazz Combo Takes Another Title

On Wednesday, April 27, the Old Rochester High School Jazz Combo was awarded a gold medal at the International Association of Jazz Educators (IAJE) State Finals at the Worcester Polytechnical Institute (WPI). Only three out of the fourteen participating bands earned this distinction.

Outstanding Musicianship awards went to **Trevor Kellum** and **James Wilhelmsen**. Trevor also received the State Jazz Combo Festival's "Most Valuable Player" award.

Band Director **Stan Ellis** has now led the ORR High School jazz band to four consecutive years of State Final Combo Championships in addition to the ORR Jazz Big Band. Mr. Ellis organized this year's combo / choir festival and was honored for his hard work and dedication. Congratulations to ORR Jazz Combo members **Nathan D'Olympia**, **Nick Gordon**, **Trevor Kellum**, **James Wilhelmsen**, **Scott Bissonnette** and **Mack Williamson**.



Above: *Old Rochester Regional students and staff recently teamed up with the Saint Gabriel's Youth Group to form the Southeastern Massachusetts Hunger Commission Walk for Hunger Team 2005, raising over $7,500 to fight hunger in Massachusetts. The team of 40 set off in a chilly rain on Sunday, May 1, but still managed to walk over 400 miles collectively. The Marion United Methodist Church Pantry and the Saint Vincent de Paul Society Pantry at Saint Anthony's in Mattapoisett were the benefactors of the group's efforts.*

On the cover: *ORR Jazz Combo members Nathan D'Olympia, Nick Gordon, Trevor Kellum, James Wilhelmsen, Scott Bissonnette and Mack Williamson, along with band director Stan Ellis (far right), recently earned another gold medal at the International Association of Jazz Educators (IAJE) State Finals at Worcester Polytechnical Institute. The ORR Jazz Combo will next be joining the award-winning ORR Jazz Big Band on Saturday, May 21, as they perform at the prestigious Boston Hatch Shell. (Photo by and courtesy of Wayne Kellum).*

The ORR Jazz Combo will be joining the ORR Jazz Big Band on Saturday, May 21, as they perform in the prestigious Boston Hatch Shell's "High School Musical Showcase" featuring all of the state's gold medal champions.

The ORR High School Pops concert will also be held in the ORR Junior / Senior High School cafeteria on Wednesday, May 18 at 7:00 pm. The ORR High School Chorus, Concert Band, Jazz Big Band and Jazz Combo will be performing. This concert is free of charge and



Above: *On March 11 and 12, four talented young musicians from Old Rochester Regional Junior High School participated in the Southeast District Junior Music Festival held at North Attleboro High School. These students were selected by audition to participate in the festival that featured students from throughout southeastern Massachusetts. Mr. James Farmer, ORR High School Band Director and Ms. Angie Vaughn, Chorus Director, were pleased to have ORR represented by these outstanding young people. Pictured (l. to r.) are Grade 8 students Laura Ruell (Concert Band Bass Clarinet), Nicholas Tabakow (Orchestra Viola), Chelsie Nectow (Mixed Chorus), and Christine Beatriz (Concert Band Flute).*

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ORR Students and Staff Walk for Hunger

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The team would like to thank everyone in the community who participated including area eateries who donate to Waste Not, Want Not, student volunteers who make the food collections, United Way and Project Bread for providing the bus and guidance, and everyone who contributed food items, made a financial contribution, assisted with hunger education programs, supported the spaghetti supper fundraiser, or took time out of their busy lives to help our youth learn how they can make a difference. Most of all our hats are off to the students who initiated the effort and brought it to fruition, you did an incredible job!

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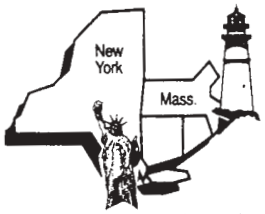
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"Unsung Heroes"

Twelfth Annual Wanderer Keel Awards

The Wanderer is once again pleased to announce we are now soliciting nominations for our twelfth annual "Wanderer Keel Awards." The yearly community service

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honor — which is presented to one resident from each of the three central towns in our circulation area — will be announced in our May 26, 2005 issue and each winner will be the subject of a short feature highlighting their contributions to the local community. But *The Wanderer* needs your help in selecting these "unsung heroes."

The requirements are simple. Nominees must be legal residents of Mattapoisett, Marion, or Rochester (at least five years), and must have contributed in some way to the overall benefit of the community — either directly to town residents, or indirectly through efforts in promoting town activities, or working to keep the wheels of local government well-oiled. The only restriction is that these persons cannot benefit from their efforts in any other way — either financially or politically (hence, sitting elected officials are not eligible).

In doing this, we hope to applaud those who are rarely recognized for their countless hours of service and focus on the many people "behind the scenes" who remain otherwise anonymous but provide crucial support to many town functions. Like the keel of a ship which keeps the vessel from capsizing, the recipients of the Annual Wanderer Keel Award will be recognized for their stalwart efforts in keeping the community on an "even keel."

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• MARION – Claire Russell (1994); Ralph and Phyllis Washburn (1995); Annie Giberti (1996); Jay Crowley (1997); Tyler Blethen (1998); Olive E. Harris (1999, posthumously); Kathleen P. "Kay" Reis (2000); Loretta B. "Lori" Schaefer (2001); Ann and Warren Washburn (2002); Andrew Santos Sr. (2003); Eunice Manduca (2004).

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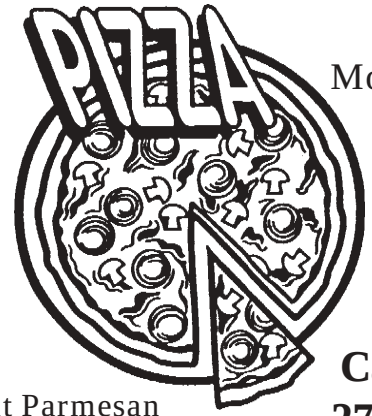
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Please send the name, address and telephone number of recommended nominees, along with a brief description of their key contributions to the community and why you feel they are deserving of this honor to: **Keel Award, *The Wanderer*, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739**.

The deadline for nominations is **Friday, May 20, 2005 at 3:00 pm**. Selected recipients will be contacted by telephone on Tuesday, May 24 prior to being announced in the May 26 issue. Staff members of *The Wanderer* and employees of Wanderer Communications are not eligible for consideration.

Mattapoisett Annual Town Meeting

May 9-10, 2005

By Kenneth J. Souza

The Annual Town Meeting for the Town of Mattapoisett was called to order on Monday evening, May 9 at 7:02 pm in the auditorium of Old Rochester Regional High School by Town Moderator Jack Eklund having noted the presence of a quorum of an estimated 260 voters on the first of two nights.

After a Salute to the Flag, the singing of the National Anthem, and a moment of silence for departed Town Meeting members, Mr. Eklund introduced the various town officials present on stage with him and also

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reviewed the rules and procedures for Town Meeting.

Finance Committee (FinCom) Chairman Cornelius Coleman then briefly presented a financial update for Town Meeting voters. "You may recall a year ago, we were looking at (freezing) salaries for town employees ... we had been in the third year of (reduced) funding from the state," he said. "We were looking at opening Center School at a cost of almost $15 million. We were looking at the possibility of continued freezes in town expenditures. During that Town Meeting, we transferred $200,000 from our Stabilization Fund to the School Department budget in order to facilitate the opening of Center School. We reduced the Stabilization Fund to just about $200,000 which is an incredibly small savings account for a town (this size), so things were not good. As we stand here this evening, things are far better."

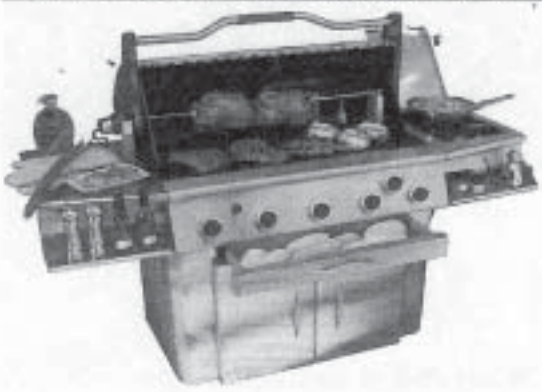
Although Mr. Coleman noted the town is getting a boost in state aid from 2.5 to 3 percent this year, it's still not "anywhere efficient to makeup for the decline (in state aid) over the last few years," he said.

Among the more promising signs for FY 2006: an increase in the town's Stabilization Fund to just about $700,000; a reduction in the tax rate of $2.92 per $1,000; and an ongoing increase in overall real estate development which helps to broaden the town's tax base.

"Clearly we are in a transitory position where the town has an opportunity to take advantage of the development going on," Mr. Coleman said, citing a recommended article to establish a Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund as the first step toward future planning.

"In a word, we're in good shape," Mr. Coleman said. "Nobody can guarantee that the economy will remain as vibrant as it is today (and) nobody can really guarantee anything relative to revenue ... but we can

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Before addressing Article 1, resident Brad Hathaway stressed that Mr. Coleman's assessment of the town's financial status is only due to the taxpayers. "If the town is in such good shape, it is because of the taxpayers in this town," Mr. Hathaway said. "It's nice to hear that in the future the money will be rolling in, but it's because of the taxpayers."

Under **ARTICLE 1**, voters were asked to approve a total $116,936.37 in fixed salaries for Elected Officials for Fiscal Year 2005, including: $200 (Town Moderator); $3,700 (Selectmen Chairman); $3,300 (Selectmen members); $3,300 (Assessors, each); $39,390 (Town Clerk); $400 (Board of Health, each); $55,971 (Highway Surveyor); $400 (Mattapoisett School Committee, each); $400 (Water/Sewer Commissioners, each); $5,980 (Tree Warden); $695.37 (Herring Inspector).

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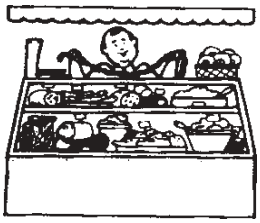
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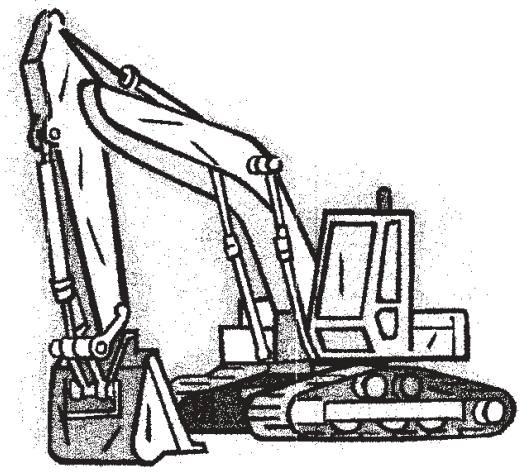
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Residents had more of a problem with the fact that some of these part-time employees took advantage of a 75 percent reimbursement rate for their health insurance coverage, a benefit which will no longer be offered to future elected officials as per a recommendation of a study committee created at the behest of Town Meeting last year.

"It seems to me we've created two classes of people — people who have been grandfathered in and others who can't," said Paul Milde. "We're still going to be paying a lot of money for small-salaried positions. It just doesn't seem fair to me. I know we can't set policy here at Town Meeting, but we do set the salaries. I move that we amend all the salaries to zero."

"I totally disagree with setting these salaries to zero," said Jocelyn Lombard. "I think they deserve something. Taking away their salaries is totally uncalled for."

"It's the decision of the Board of Selectmen to offer health insurance for part-time elected officials," added Selectman Steve Lombard. "The study committee did their job and we followed their recommendation. There are a lot of people where you're taking away their stipends."

As such, the motion to reduce elected officials' salaries to "zero" failed, 249 to 11. With that, Article 1 finally passed as first read, 257 to 3.

Under **ARTICLE 2**, voters were asked to approve a $17.883 million General Operating Budget for FY 2006. After selecting certain line items within the budget for further discussion and clarification, one resident asked about funding the Board of Assessors line item with the apparent lack of staffing in the office as reported in the local press.

"You have to realize that Mattapoisett's tax rate was set last December," Selectman Raymond Andrews

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said. "You can't always believe what you read in the paper. A mere phone call to the Tax Collector's office would have verified some of the facts. This particular hold on the Board of Assessors has nothing to do with the Board of Selectmen."

"Although there has not been full-time staff (working with the Board of Assessors) since October, there are consultants who have been working with (them)," added Town Administrator Michael Botelho. "There are still line items for someone to be appointed ... to fill those positions."

Many voters continued to bemoan higher and higher tax bills, despite adjustments in the tax rate.

"I've said before that these override votes we've been voting for are coming due," Selectman Lombard said. "Well, today is the day. Next year you'll be looking at the bond issued ... for the school. It will be more than a $1 million increase. Very shortly the state will be forwarding our share of the 65 percent reimbursement promised to us (for the school). The budget hasn't increased by 13 percent ... it's the borrowing that's increased dramatically for this town. These (items) were voted at prior Town Meetings (and the ballot box) ... we have no choice but to pay for them."

"I've watched Town Meeting vote time after time for new schools ... now it's time to pay the piper," agreed former Selectman Barry Denham. "Just remember when these projects come forward, you have to pay for them."

Although a motion to cap budget increases at 5

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percent annually failed 256 to 4, the original Article 2 went on to pass, 256 to 4.

Under **ARTICLE 3**, voters were asked to approve $1,819,394 to be used with previous allocations, private donations and a pending state grant to fund a total $5,519,394 in renovations to and expansion of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. Mr. Eklund noted the article required a two-thirds majority to pass.

FinCom Chairman Coleman noted that although this project was proposed before they opted to establish a Capital Reserve Fund (and hence was grandfathered in), this was a "perfect example" of the type of project that reserve account could fund.

"The library project would probably commence sometime in late summer with a completion date in late 2006," Mr. Coleman said. "That means the ultimate financing would commence in 2007. We expect we would have funds available at the outset of the 20- or 40-year period. The FinCom recommends approval of this article."

Some residents haggled over the sharp increase in



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the overall cost of the project which, according to Selectman Collyer, had been reduced in scope by 40 percent.

"The original estimate was given out from some very crude drawings, not detailed," said Robert Cattley of the Mattapoisett Library Building Committee. "It was estimated before 2002 and the estimate had been scaled up to the year 2000, which means it was about five years old."

Despite a failed motion from resident Daniel Goodman to take a secret "paper ballot" vote on the article, a subsequent motion to "move the question" passed, 259 to 1, and Article 3 passed with a final vote of 223 to 25.

Under **ARTICLE 4**, voters were asked to approve $12,678.40 to buy back unused sick time accumulated by a former town employee. The article passed, 140 to 20.

Under **ARTICLE 5**, voters were asked to approve $40,000 to fund the design of a new proposed Mattapoisett Fire Station. The article carried, 130 to 1.

Reconvening for a second night on Tuesday, May 10 at 7:02 pm, Town Meeting voters next considered **ARTICLE 6**, which asked them to approve $40,000 to buy a replacement boat for the Harbormaster's Department. The appropriation would be transferred jointly from Free Cash ($20,000) and Waterfront Enterprise Retained Earnings ($20,000).

According to Harbormaster Steve Mach, "The feeling is the (existing) boat is unsafe and it should be replaced. It's something that we need and the time has

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The FinCom recommended passage of the article.

When asked why type of boats are being considered for purchase, Mr. Mach noted they are looking at either a Seahawk or Privateer model, "something with a hard cabin with a large open cockpit and stern," he said. In turn, the existing Harbormaster's vessel would likely be sold off through a bidding process.

"I would urge Town Meeting to support this," Selectman Andrews said. "The boat they have has outlived its usefulness in Buzzards Bay (and) the Harbormaster needs to have a safe boat."

"I just served on the MAB (and) you can't get a better deal for $40,000," agreed Cal Perkins. "You've got to remember that the Coast Guard is stretched now and they count on local (towns) to help patrol the area waters."

When asked why the full amount wasn't coming out of the Waterfront Enterprise Fund, Mr. Botelho explained that account is close to depleted. "Right now there is just about $40,000 in the Waterfront Enterprise Account, so we've asked you to take (the other) half from Free Cash," he said.

With that, Article 6 passed 90 to 5.

Under **ARTICLE 7**, voters were asked to establish the aforementioned Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund to fund future capital improvement projects.

"With excess funds available, we can put (money) aside for a rainy day," explained Selectman Jordan

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Collyer. "Anything that would qualify for a substantial capital improvement could be funded out of this account. If needed, the money would be there without stretching our Free Cash too thin."

"This will also greatly improve the town's borrowing rate, because right now we don't have a longterm capital improvement plan," added Selectman Lombard.

Article 7 passed 93 to 2.

Under **ARTICLE 8**, voters were asked to transfer an initial $20,000 into the town's newly-established Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund.

Article 8 passed unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 9**, voters were asked to appropriate $80,000 to cover additional costs for remediating

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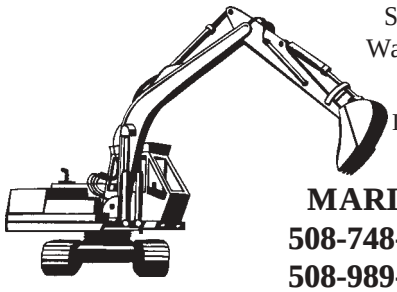
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and monitoring the gasoline fuel spill at the Mattapoisett Police Station, an ongoing project which Selectman Andrews admitted has continued to plague the town.

"I'm sorry to say, this is not the end," Selectman Andrews said. "It is our hope and desire that we can wrap this up. I know it was painful for us to have to come back (to you previously) for additional funds. It is our hope that this $80,000 will (clean up) the site once and for all, but I can't guarantee that."

Article 9 carried unanimously.

Under **ARTICLE 10**, voters were asked to appropriate $100,000 to commission the HVAC systems' design and construction at both Old Hammondtown and Center Schools. Although only Old Hammondtown has known problems with the HVAC system, Selectman Andrews explained it was best to have both systems checked to ensure the town "got what we paid for," he said.

"We know Old Hammondtown has control issues (with) the HVAC system," Selectman Andrews said. "The contractor has filed for bankruptcy and gone out of business. The architect has a certain amount of liability ... but the only way to make sure is to have a commissioning done. We could not anticipate the (problems) with subcontractors on the project."

With that, Article 10 carried, 97 to 2.

At press time, Town Meeting voters were still discussing **ARTICLE 11**, which asked them to adopt an amendment to the town's Zoning By-Laws to add a new "Village Business District." According to Planning Board

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member Tom Tucker, the new district would come under the purview of the Planning Board and they were hoping to restore some of Mattapoisett's "small town character" along the commercial-heavy Route 6 corridor.

"We're not forcing anyone to do anything here," Mr. Tucker said of the proposed by-law.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

May 9, 2005

By Eletha M. Yeaton

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, May 9 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Gary Laboa. Also present were Selectman Richard Nunes, Selectman Bradford Morse, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

After signing the necessary warrants, the board unanimously approved the minutes of the April 25 and May 2 meetings.

At 7:05 pm, Chairman Laboa opened a Public Hearing with Comcast representative Mary O'Keeffe. After a brief summary of what Comcast provides both locally and nationally, Ms. O'Keeffe explained the difference between the current coverage in Rochester and the new public access in the ORR High School studio location. Comcast provides cable programming and high-speed internet to the schools and some municipal offices.

Selectman Nunes questioned the possibility of

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having Rochester acquire I-net capability, since there is at present no live broadcast facility and video return line in town. The cost of a video return line depends on the mileage from the facility to the source. Such cost would have to be paid for by subscribers. Once the ORR studio is in operation, a videotape of meetings such as weekly Selectmen's Meetings can be delivered to the studio for broadcast within an hour. Mattapoisett's Town Administrator Michael J. Botelho is currently drafting a public access contract between the tri-towns and Comcast. This will be on the agenda of the next Tri-Town Selectmen's meeting slated for Wednesday, May 25 at 6:30 pm in the TV Studio at ORR High School.

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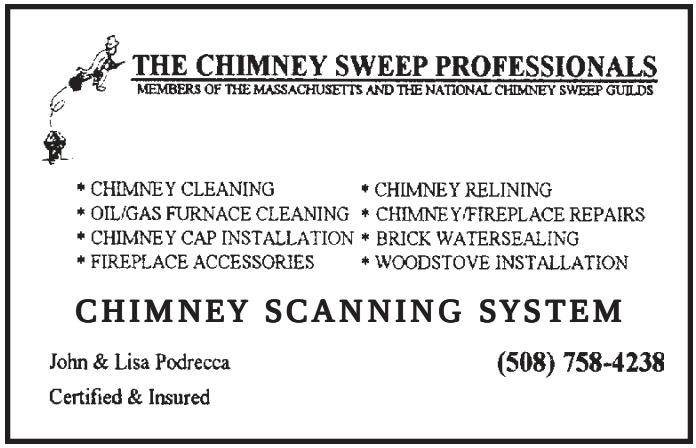
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terminate the existing license, a motion to sign the new license agreement was approved unanimously. Comcast will sign and return two original copies of the agreement to the Board of Selectmen. The board then approved a motion to close the public hearing.

At 7:30 pm, the board met with Vincent Martin concerning Chapter 61B property at 97 Featherbed Lane. According to 61B requirements, the landowner may accept the purchase offer if the town does not exercise its option to purchase the land across the street from the house. After examining the plot map and acreage, the board voted unanimously not to accept the purchase of the land.

The next item of business was a motion to grant and sign two Flammable Fluid Permits for Gary Curren and the Rochester Highway Department. A motion to sign a Conservation Restriction for Hiller Brothers was also made and approved.

The board then recognized Officer Cook, representing the Rochester Police Association. He called the board's attention to the fact that in two recent instances police officers did not receive their pay on the proper date. He asked if it would be possible to arrange for direct deposit into the banks of the officers' choice — not just Mayflower Bank. Late payment is a hardship on some, and direct deposit would save both the town and the officers money. At present, all checks have to be cashed at the Mayflower Bank which causes an off-duty officer to come from his own town to Rochester to receive and then

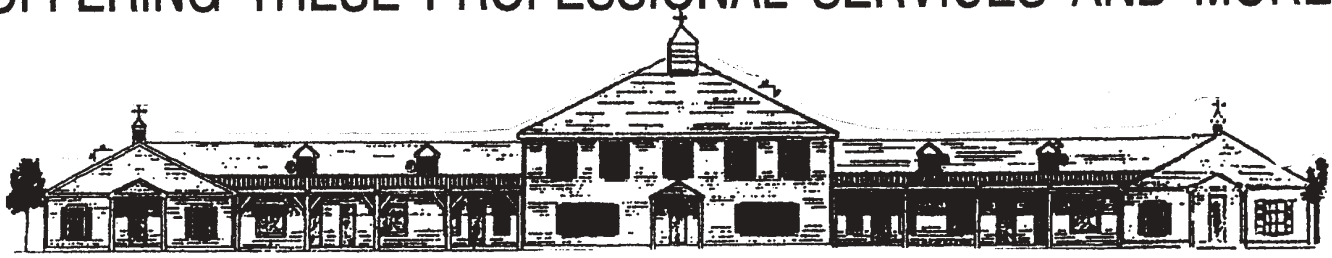


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cash his paycheck. Chairman Laboa remarked that this was also an issue for the schools. Mr. Huntoon agreed to pursue the matter.

Town Administrator James Huntoon reported that the next Tri-Town Selectmen's Meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, May 25 at 6:30 pm in the TV Studio at ORR High School. Marion will be the host for this meeting. In addition, he reported that work is progressing well on the Town Hall Annex at the Rochester Woman's Club on Route 105. Two proposals have been received for work on the Rochester Memorial School. The first concerns the roof and window repairs. It is estimated $81,000 would take this project through the bidding process. The other proposal is to bring public water to the school. The possibility for this proposal is either to send the project out to bid or to have the Highway Department do the work under professional supervision during the summer months.

Under correspondence, the board received:

• A memo from the Town of Carver announcing the reorganization of the Board of Selectmen.

• A letter from Superintendent David J. Ferreira of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School requesting the board's help in contacting their state legislators concerning the importance of additional funding for regional school transportation reimbursement. The state has failed to maintain its commitment to Chapter 71, Section 16D.

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• A letter from Baron & Trifilo, LLP, regarding the Chapter 61A property at 727 Snipatuit Road. A portion of the land his clients wish to sell is under Forest Land abatement and 33 acres have an offer of $1.4 million. Under existing law, the town has the opportunity to purchase the land at this price if it wishes to do so.

• A letter from resident Nancy Beijar of Randall Road to advise the board of her deep concern regarding the proposed quarry and rock crushing plant in town. She is concerned about the effects of the operation on the amount of heavy truck traffic, pollution, noise , vibration, and the risks to the water table and wells.

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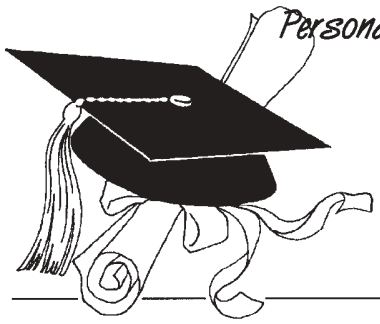
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report from resident Antonio Sol and his concern with the number of coyotes in his neighborhood endangering his property and the small domestic animals that have been killed. He has contacted the police about this matter, and they informed him there is nothing they can do by law except in specific instances. A resident of Cushman Road also expressed her fear of rabies and attacks on humans, babies in carriages, joggers and the like on the heavily used road. Her daughter saw a coyote while jogging at 7:30 am one morning.

Police Chief Paul Magee was present and he explained that wild animals are a state issue handled by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Police have no authority to hunt coyotes, but if there is a public safety issue — if a person is attacked or threatened — the animal can be put down. He went on to explain that a statute allows homeowners and especially farmers to protect their property, and they are allowed to shoot a threatening wild animal. Chairman Laboa wants that information to be made available to the public. Chief Magee will send a letter to State Representative William Straus and a copy to the Selectmen about this information. Selectman Nunes questioned whether anyone at the state was monitoring coyote attacks.

The other item under Old Business was the acceptance of the terms of appointment for the Police Department, Matrons, Dispatchers, and the Historic District Commission.

Under New Business, the board discussed the "no

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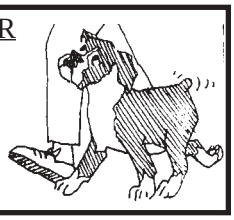
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trespassing" request from a homeowner to the Police Department in regard to public access on a private road. The board concluded that the burden is on the property owner through researching of deeds to prove ownership of the private road. This is not a town issue but rather a homeowner's issue.

The board then voted to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations and would reconvene only for the purpose of adjournment.

Sports Shorts

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The **Rochester Youth Baseball Summer League** will run July 5 through August 27, 2005. Fee is $35 per player and the cutoff date is June 25. Players must be between ages 8 and 11 years old by August 1, 2005 to play. Players eligible are from Rochester, Mattapoisett or Marion. Games will be played on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday and some Saturdays for makeups, with two games per week, and up to a 15-game schedule. Games will be played at Gifford Park or Dexter Lane at 5:30 pm on weekdays and 10:00 am on Saturdays. All play will follow Little League Rules. For additional information, please call **Dave Sylvia at 508-763-2867**. Forms are also available online at **www.rochesteryouthbaseball.com**.

Mattapoisett Tennis

The **Mattapoisett Community Tennis Association (MCTA)** will meet Monday, May 16, 2005 at the Lonsdale residence, 52 County Road, #13 in Mattapoisett. All persons in the tri-town area interested in promoting tennis are invited to attend. At the meeting, plans for the summer tennis program will be formulated and a new president of the MCTA will be elected. Please call **508-758-2360** for further information.

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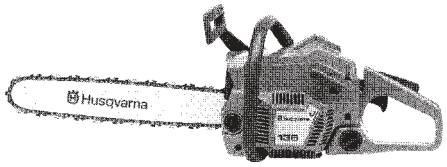
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All new players, please download the forms, or call for them. Follow all directions for first time players which are located on the back of the form.

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Rebecca McCullough

Assessor

Town of Mattapoisett

Dear Neighbors,

Assessments and evaluations are the backbone of Town Government, setting the standard for the community and providing the necessary capital to keep the wheels of government moving forward. In Mattapoisett, there is a cog in the wheel that is gumming up the works -- the Assessors Office.

- The Town of Mattapoisett has not had an Assessor Administrator since October 2004.
- The Clerk in the office resigned a month ago, leaving no employees in the Assessors Office!
- During the past six months, more than 35% of meetings of the 3-member Board of Assessors have been cancelled because the quorum was not met.
- The Board of Selectmen recently assumed the responsibility of appointing a new Assessor Administrator because the elected Board of Assessors were not doing their job.

The Assessors Office is virtually closed for business and staffed by a single temporary employee who has no knowledge of the Assessors office and can only answer the phone and take messages. Inquiries by taxpayers are passed along to the Board of Assessors.

It is clear that the taxpayers' business is not getting done!

The State Department of Revenue has stepped in to investigate the Asessors Office because revaluations for the 2006 State Revaluation year have not yet begun. Building permits have been piling up. Over 360 abatement requests received from taxpayers in January had not received proper attention until the past two weeks when two consultants were called in to help process the work. Why wasn't this done two months ago?

Financial security dictates that revaluations are thorough, fair and performed in a timely manner. Tax payers deserve fair and balanced consideration of appeals and an office at Town Hall equipped to handle all inquiries regarding property valuations.

Taxpayers deserve a voice in government. The current chair of the Board of Assessors has not been responsive to the concerns of Mattapoisett homeowners and business owners. Nearly 8 months have passed since the office was fully staffed and functioning responsibly. People are finding it difficult to resolve issues surrounding auto and boat excise taxes, personal property and real estate. Homeowners have nowhere to turn if they wish to discuss an abatement. Their only alternative is to file an appeal with the State Appeals Board when their abatement is constructively denied for lack of action by the Board of Assessors.

Your vote counts! If you don't like what's going on in the Assessors Office, you *do* have a choice. With over 25 years experience in business management, 9 years in property management and over 7 years in municipal government, including 8 months as temporary Town Clerk in Mattapoisett in 2001-2002, I have the knowledge and skills to bring order to the chaos in the Assessors Office. I have been a Mattapoisett homeowner for 25 years.

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Rebecca

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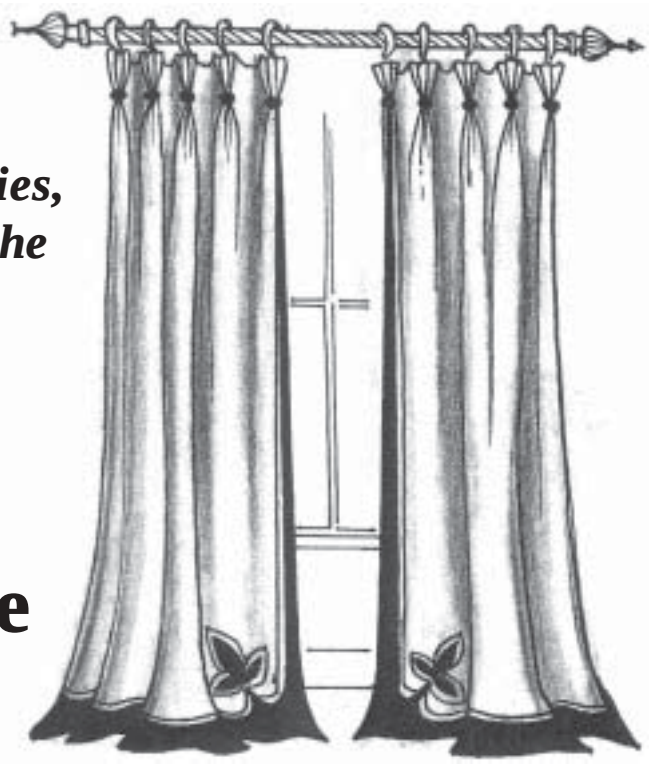
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

As the secretary for the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library, it is with excitement and anticipation that we acknowledge this past April's Town Election in Rochester. With great pleasure, the current and outgoing members of the (Library) Board of Trustees welcome with open arms our newly-elected board members.

A round of applause, please, for Anthony Dias, Jackie Demers and Pamela Hirlahall who thought well of giving their precious time to such a worthy cause as serving in town office.

This coming Saturday marks our first official meeting with our newly-elected members. The past board, with departing members, Robin Roderick, Scott Rounseville and Jack Fyock, were very instrumental in helping our little library move forward into the 21st century without sacrificing its "small town" charm and intimacy.

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Sincerely,
Lena Bourque
Rochester

To the Editor:

This is an urgent warning to our community to be very careful when outdoors. I recently was bitten by an infected deer tick and now have Lyme's Disease. I've been told I am not the only person to have recently contracted this disease in Mattapoisett this spring.

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memory of being bitten, I have spent virtually no time outdoors yet this season, and it is very early in the season to have tick problems. Yet my reality is a brilliant and very unpleasant bullseye rash at the wound site and 30 days of medical treatment. My very young granddaughter also was found to have a deer tick on her skin. Fortunately for her there was no resulting infection.

Please use insect repellents when outdoors and keep feet, legs and arms covered. Check yourself and your family for ticks that may have attached themselves to clothing or skin everyday. I've been told that washing your hair and body with strong dandruff shampoo is also a good way to kill and or remove any ticks that may be on your skin, but which you might not notice. Apparently the sulfur compound in the shampoo kills ticks.

Deer ticks can be as tiny as a pin head. I did not see the one that bit me.

I can only hope that my misfortune and sharing this information with you will prevent someone else from experiencing this problem.

The old wife's saying of "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" was never more apropos. Be careful out there!

Sincerely,
Marilou Newell
Mattapoisett

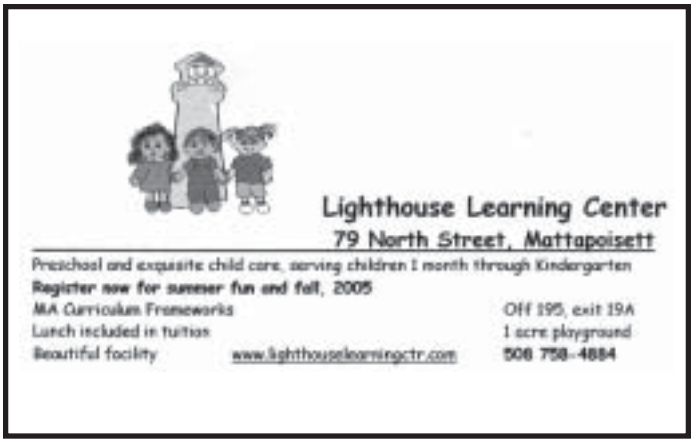
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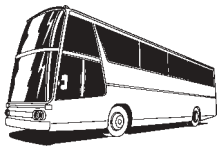
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Mattapoisett Bird Walk

Beginning at 6:30 am on Saturday, May 14, the Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT) will sponsor a bird walk led by Mattapoisett resident Mike Labossiere at the Nasketucket Bay State Reservation. The MLT will provide a Mass Audubon "Daily Field Card" to help participants keep track of the species identified.

Two years ago the MLT held a similar walk in June when the group heard or saw 51 species including a barred owl and a red-tailed hawk. This walk during the spring migration should be even more productive.

The public and members are asked to meet at the parking lot at the reservation at 6:30 am, rain or shine. Long pants, water-proof boots and insect repellant are strongly recommended.

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Rochester Book

The Rochester Historical Society announces the publication of a new book titled *Rochester* by Judith Hartley MacKinnon. This 128-page book was published by Arcadia publishers and is full of old photographs from the past. Did you know Rochester had an airport or that residents once held a circus on the "Church Green"? Learn about these and much more in this new publication.

A book signing will be held at the Rochester Historical Museum — the East Rochester Church — 355 County Road on June 5 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. The books sell for $19.99 plus $1 tax for a total of $20.99 with all proceeds going to the Rochester Historical Society. To reserve your copy, please send a check to: The Rochester Historical Society, P.O. Box 171, Rochester, MA 02770. Be sure to include your name, address and telephone number. If you have any questions, please call Sue at 508-295-8908.

Museum Opening

The Rochester Historical Society has opened its museum, the East Rochester Church. The church was built in 1857 and is a perfect example of country charm — including the accompanying outhouse! Like most churches of its era, it is surrounded on two sides by a peaceful cemetery ... maybe you've got an ancestor resting there.

The gift area includes maps, books, reprints of old postcards, Rochester t-shirts, sweatshirts, denim shirts, and baseball caps all with a designer Rochester logo. The

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Something Old

The Plumb Memorial Library is the unofficial site for RHS memorabilia. Be sure to stop by and pick up a map of Rochester (1704, 1797 and 1854), postcards, throws, and books on interesting Rochester history.

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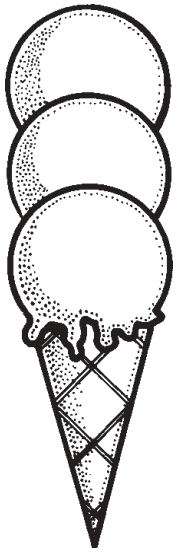
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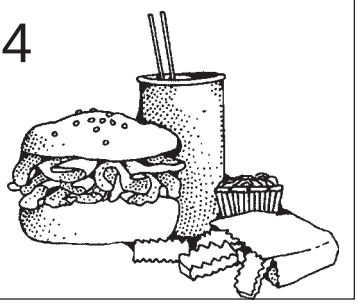
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As an assessor form 1990 to 1993 I assisted Town Council with the appellate tax board work. I helped prepare the cases and attended the hearings as a witness. I never charged the town for this work during this period.

In 1993 the other 2 assessors suggested I do this work myself as I was in the unique position of being an attorney, assessor and appraiser and well qualified. They felt there was no need for town counsel as I could do the work myself because I could testify as an assessor. At their request I approached the selectmen with the idea and they agreed stating that I was a Special Municipal Employee and could be paid for extra work- as had prior Boards of Assessors. I have been told the same by every Board of Selectmen since.

I reviewed town counsels bills for the month of July and August of 1993 which totaled 6,000.00. The ATB trials usually are scheduled over a 5 month period. I decided to ask for an annual salary of 3,000.00 feeling that it would be a good way to give back to my town and save the taxpayers a good bit of money !

I have been paid an annual salary of $ 3,000.00 ever since- 12 years. I have never asked for a raise until last year and it " got lost in the shuffle"-I'm told.

I have always put in much more time than the $3,000.00 represents, but until last year I simply accepted this as my giving to the town and again saving the taxpayers money.
However last year I had 43 cases and seemed to spend half my work time on ATB matters. I couldn't absorb this loss of income because it was affecting my private practice.

I decided to place an Article in the Special Town meeting and ask the voters to pay me more for last year due to the extraordinary circumstances.The voters approved my request for $15,000.00 by a vote of better than 90% . I have yet taken the money.

Also in 1993 the assessors suggested I take over the building permit work . They were displeased with the consulting company doing the work and felt I could do a better job and it would be good public relations for the office rather than various strangers from out of town doing it. Again I accepted and we went through the same approval process. At the time we were paying $ 9,500 per year to a firm called MMC- so I decided to do it for $7,000 00 a year again to save the taxpayers money. I have been paid $ 7,000.00 per year for the past 12 years.
The DOR also suggested that that we update our data on homes- to some extent each year rather than doing all homes every nine years. Again, I agreed to do the work at a savings to the town.
These three jobs were grouped together in the Assessors budget under the line item <u>revaluation salaries</u> for an annual total of $12,000.00- that has remained the same for twelve years

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My Article at the Town Meeting was a specific one time request because of an extraordinary years work.

I normally do the three jobs from July- February. Therefore, I have always submitted a voucher for $1,500.00 for these eight months of the year. That's how prior accountants suggested I do it.

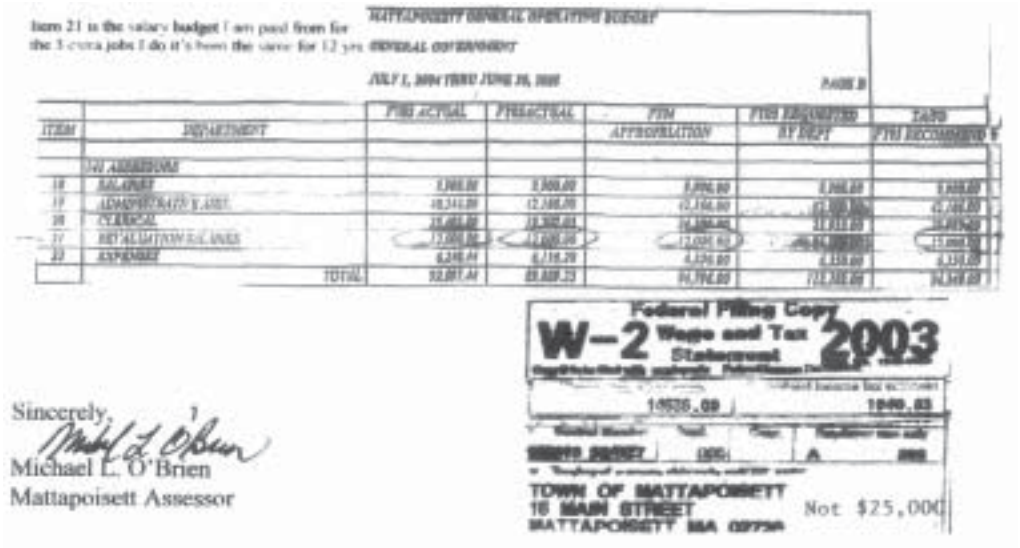
THOSE ARE THE FACTS- PLAIN AND SIMPLE

During this period I have presented the revaluation salary budget line item to the assessors, finance committee, selectmen and the town meeting for approval and it has been approved all twelve years.

All things being constant i.e. former town counsel and the consultants having been paid the same as 1993 over the past 12 years, I estimate I have saved the taxpayers $174,000.00. My situation has never been a conflict of interest .My $12,000 approved salary is not based on volume and I have no control over the ATB cases- the fewer the better.

My article at town meeting was approve by the voters-not the assessors or myself-I see no conflict in that.

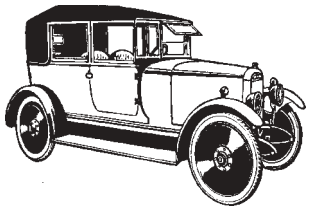
In summation: Instead of being thanked for all this free time I've given to the town, my reputation has potentially been ruined by a reporter who was irresponsible, a new accountant who doesn't know the facts, and a former clerk who has missed her calling-she should work as a lying double-agent for the CIA.



Sincerely,
Michael L. O'Brien
Mattapoisett Assessor

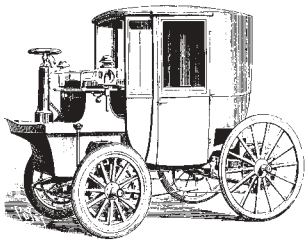
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ORR Principal Honored

The ORR School Committee recently honored ORR Junior High School Assistant Principal Susan Hayward at the May 3 meeting. Ms. Hayward is retiring at the end of the present school term, her seventh at ORR.

ORR School Committee Chairman Deborah DeWalt read the attached testimonial and presented Ms. Hayward with a certificate and four books for the Junior High School library in her honor.

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pal at ORR Junior High School but also for her 31 years of service to public education. She has taught in Belchertown, Mansfield and East Longmeadow all of which have been at the middle school level. Her commitment to children is evidenced in her devotion to her three children as well as her passionate advocacy for students. Ms. Hayward has a gift for finding and bringing out the best in children.

"She received her Bachelors of Science degree in Elementary Education from Central Connecticut State and went on to receive two Masters of Education, one as teacher of Moderate Special Needs from Westfield State and a second one in Administration from Springfield College. Susan Hayward is a lifelong learner and contin-

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"Teachers and staff often turn to her for guidance at resolving difficult issues and her background in Special Needs serves her well as she carefully assesses individual situations and offers creative solutions. A teacher said on hearing of her retirement, 'What are we going to do without Susan?' A very good question indeed, she will be missed but we wish her well as she moves on to new endeavors."

Mattapoisett Maconchu Club

On Saturday, May 21, the Maconchu Club will host one of their delicious "Pot Luck" Suppers. Everyone is invited to come and bring either a salad or a main dish of their choice (enough to feed eight people) and their place settings. Dessert and beverage will be provided by the club. The supper starts at 6:30 pm in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church Street in Mattapoisett.

The entertainment for the evening begins at 7:30

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pm with Koby and Chris Williamson sharing with you their "Life on the Road" with the musical *Oliver.* Koby, who just turned 13 and is in the seventh grade at Old Rochester Regional Junior High School, has a remarkable singing voice. He played the part of one of Fagin's gang boys. Koby's mother, Chris, was able to accompany him because of her musical talent: she played the clarinet in the pit orchestra. Chris is a teacher of instrumental music at Rochester's Memorial School.

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The race is open to persons of all ages. There will be two persons to a boat. There are divisions for men, women, junior boys, junior girls, co-ed and a parent / child division (child to be under 14 years old). Junior division teams are both contestants under 14 years old.

Pre-registration is required. Contestants may register at the Rochester Grange Hall, 205 Hartley Road, on Friday, May 13 and Friday, May 20 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. No registrations will be accepted after Friday, May 20 at 8:00 pm. Rules and registration forms may be obtained at Lloyd's Market in Rochester and at the registration sessions. A signed registration form must be submitted by each contestant for a team to be eligible to draw a starting position.

The Boat Race Ham and Bean supper will be served on the Saturday evening of Memorial Day weekend, May 28, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Rochester Memorial School. Tickets for the supper may be purchased from Boat Race contestants or at the door. Proceeds from the supper, along with donations, provide the money for the expenses of the race.

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Marion Candidates' Night

The Tri-Town League of Women Voters (LWV) has announced that Candidates Night in Marion will take place on Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 pm in the Sippican School cafeteria. Marion voters at Annual Town Meeting last year moved their local election date from late April to late May.

This year's Candidates Night is the first to follow the new schedule. Two candidates, incumbent Andrew Jeffrey and former Town Administrator Ray Pickles, are seeking a position on the Marion Board of Selectmen. Three candidates are on the ballot for two open seats on the Marion School Committee.

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Mattapoisett Skateboard Camp

Does your free-wheeling kid yearn to bust a nasty "Backside 180 Ollie"? You may need professional help. Give your skater a safe and fun environment in which to learn new techniques. The Summer Skateboard Camp of the SouthCoast Learning Network (SCLN) will emphasize safe skateboard riding, while challenging kids to improve at a "gnarly" sport. Participants must wear helmets, shin and elbow pads and the course is for ages 9 to 12.

Instructor Frank Goncalves from Solstice has been skateboarding for six years. A guest appearance from Jay Vasconcellos of Solstice is TBA. The camp will be held from Monday, July 25 to Saturday, July 30 from 10:00 to 11:30 am at the Mattapoisett Skateboard Park, adjacent to the Mattapoisett Police Station on Route 6. Cost is $99 per person and there is a limit of 12 people. Please call the SCLN at 508-997-9792 to register. Upon registration,

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Loft School Fair

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Tri-Town Selectmen

The Tri-Town Boards of Selectmen's next meeting has been *rescheduled* to Wednesday, May 25 at 6:30 pm in the TV Studio at Old Rochester Regional High School. The meeting will be hosted by the Marion Board of Selectmen.

Library Launches Downloads

Now you can download popular titles to smart phones, PDAs and PCs. Marion's Elizabeth Taber Library, through its membership in the SAILS Library Network, now offers an online digital library that allows immediate access to e-Books and Audio book titles. SAILS is the first library network in Massachusetts to offer OverDrive Audio Books in Microsoft Windows Media Audio format. Marion residents can simply download, listen and enjoy unabridged spoken word audio on their PCs, laptops, PDAs and and many inexpensive MP3 players with their Elizabeth Taber Library card.

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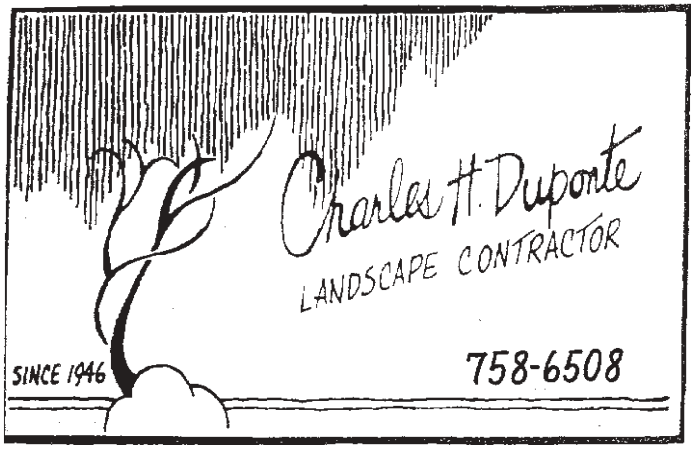
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Cans for Campers

All are invited to help do something good for the environment and help send kids to camp. Please bring your returnable bottles and cans to the Mattapoisett YMCA on Saturday, May 14 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon and they will turn them into "cash" for campers. The money received from this drive will go directly to providing "camperships" to local kids. For more information, please call the Mattapoisett YMCA at 508-758-4203.

Mattapoisett American Legion

Monthly membership meetings of the Florence Eastman Post 280 American Legion are held on the third Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 pm. All members are invited to attend. For information or rental, please call 508-758-9311.

Rochester Country Fair

Spring is finally here and soon the Rochester Country Fair will be here too!

The fair will be celebrating its sixth annual event on August 17 - 21. The theme of this year's fair will be "A Tribute to the Armed Forces." The intent of this year's fair is to showcase all the Armed Forces of the United States, to present their unique histories and services to our country. A static display is being planned for Saturday, August 20.

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Currently the Rochester Country Fair Committee is putting together the Program Book for the Fair. If you are interested in supporting the fair by placing an ad or an acknowledgement, please mail your donation by May 20 to: The Rochester Country Fair; P.O. Box 321; Rochester, MA 02770. (Please make checks payable to: The Rochester Country Fair).

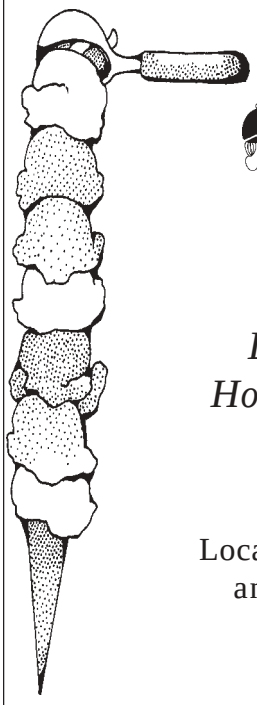
Program Book acknowledgements and ad sizes are based on the following: Booster Line less than $50, Quarter Page $50, Half Page $100, Full Page $200. Additional information, including vendor applications, event rules and contest applications can be found on the website at **www.rochesterma.com** or by contacting Bev at **508-763-5503**.

Project GROW Program

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***Crash*. Starring Don Cheadle, Sandra Bullock, and Matt Dillon. Directed by Paul Haggis. Running time: 113 minutes. MPAA rating: R.**

In Los Angeles as seen in movies — well, the serious ones, anyway — everything seems to be about disconnection. It's as if the writers and directors who live there want to impress the rest of the world with the dark side of such a legendarily lightheaded city. The latest multicharacter drama to pump up the tensions between the aristocracy and the groundlings (each represented by a variety of races), Paul Haggis' *Crash* enters theaters with an unusually high level of candid rhetoric and an equal level of do-gooder impulse. The movie (not to be confused with David Cronenberg's 1996 oddity) is often very fine, and a somber yet supple film like this, coming as it does near the beginning of Stupidity Season at the movies, may strike many critics as a revelation. But don't let yourself get carried away by the raves: *Crash* is solid but no masterpiece.

There are rich white people (Brendan Fraser as a district attorney, Sandra Bullock as his perpetually angry wife) and rich black people (Terrence Howard as a director, Thandie Newton as his mercurial wife). There are white cops (racist Matt Dillon, good-hearted Ryan Phillippe) and black cops (troubled detective Don Cheadle, cheerfully cynical lieutenant Keith David). There are Latinos who look like trouble but aren't (locksmith Michael Pena, festooned with scary tattoos but actually a devoted husband and dad) and blacks who don't look like trouble but are (Larenz Tate and Chris "Ludacris" Bridges as two carjackers). There is a hot-headed Iranian store owner (Shaun Toub) and his level-headed daughter (Bahar Soomekh). *Crash* sets all these people bouncing off each other during the course of one unusually cold Los Angeles day and watches the racial sparks fly, just as Spike Lee's *Do the Right Thing* did on a sidewalk-melting day in New York.

The difference between *Crash* and other depressed L.A. films (Paul Thomas Anderson's *Magnolia*, Robert Altman's *Short Cuts*, Lawrence Kasdan's *Grand Canyon*) is that it focuses entirely on race — its tensions, its stereotypes, its misunderstandings. *Crash* is a tighter film than any of those. Writer / director Haggis, who also wrote Clint Eastwood's *Million Dollar Baby*, somehow manages to get his characters doing and saying unconscionable things while still keeping us involved in their fates. Matt Dillon's cop, who seems at first glance a racist pig, develops shadings that help us understand him, if not excuse him. Likewise, we understand why Terrence Howard's bourgeois director, egged on by his wife's withering disdain of his manhood, comes close to throwing everything away when his path crosses with two of the other characters, who don't know or care that he had a traumatic run-in with Dillon the night before.

Crash relies a little too much on coincidence for my taste. It's as if Haggis, seeing how disconnected the characters are, set out to connect them by force, and sometimes the people seem like pawns, or placards making instructive points (see, not *all* Iranians are bad-tempered; not *all* Latinos are hoodlums). Don Cheadle has the movie's most complexly drawn role, a worn-down detective who can't believe his ears when a white cop (William Fichtner) wants to cover up the fact that three black cops recently shot dead by a white cop may have been corrupt. In a similar plot thread, Ryan Phillippe's young, idealistic cop wants to report Dillon's racist behavior and is told by his black supervisor (Keith David) to shut up about it. The interesting stuff in *Crash* takes place between cops of various races and backgrounds (including Cheadle's girlfriend Jennifer Esposito, a cop of mixed Latin heritage).

The rest of the movie sometimes works, sometimes doesn't. It may be bracing to hear Miss Congeniality drop an F-bomb, but Sandra Bullock's character feels unresolved, as does Thandie Newton's brittle victim of Dillon's racism. (The women in the movie get short shrift; *Crash* concerns itself chiefly with male torments and dilemmas.) The outcome of the conflict between the Iranian store-owner and the Latino locksmith feels awfully forced, and does nothing, by the way, to dispel the stereotype of Middle Eastern men as violently uncomprehending ranters. (It also begs the question of why his daughter was worried about whether his gun had been stolen if she herself selected the bullets in it. That'll make more sense if you see the film.) *Crash* has just enough powerful and delicate moments to rank it among the best of the season, but consider its competition.

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Kingdom of Heaven (R) – 1:00, 4:05, 7:00, 9:50
The Pacifier (PG) – 1:15
Fever Pitch (PG-13) – 3:45, 7:05, 9:20
Crash (R) – 1:05, 4:25, 7:25, 9:45
The Interpreter (PG-13) – 1:10, 4:00, 6:55, 9:40
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The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (PG) – 1:05, 4:05, 7:05, 9:20
Monster-in-Law (PG-13) – 1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30
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A Lot Like Love (PG-13) – 1:25, 4:15
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Wednesday, May 18 – Chicken chow mein sandwich, bologna sandwich, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, May 19 – Hot dog on a roll, turkey sandwich, potato puffs, peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday, May 20 – French bread pizza, tuna salad sandwich, carrot sticks, fresh fruit, milk.

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Monday, May 16 – Chicken breast supreme, red bliss potatoes, peas and mushrooms, multi-grain roll, peaches in light syrup.

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Thursday, May 19 – Cheese lasagna, Italian blend vegetables, Vienna bread, butterscotch pudding, sugar-free pudding.

Friday, May 20 – Pier 17 baked fish with tartar sauce, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, oatmeal bread, apple.

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Thursday, May 19 – BBQ pulled pork, hash brown, baked beans, broccoli and cheddar soup, chilled pears, milk.

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Tuesday, May 17 – Popcorn chicken, fluffy white rice, tender sweet corn, milk, fruit.

Wednesday, May 18 – Mexican beef taco salad, crunchy taco chips, crisp lettuce, salsa, tomatoes, shredded cheese, milk, fruit.

Thursday, May 19 – Hot dog, pasta salad, fruit, milk.

Friday, May 20 – Italian style restaurant pizza, tossed salad, milk, fruit.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, May 16 – Chicken tenders, creamy mashed potatoes, steamed peas, chicken rice soup, chilled pears, milk.

Tuesday, May 17 – Ham and cheese croissant, creamy tomato soup, potato salad, minestrone soup, strawberries, milk.

Wednesday, May 18 – Spaghetti with meatballs, pasta fajioli soup, pizza, warm garlic bread, tossed salad, chilled pineapple, milk.

Thursday, May 19 – BBQ pulled pork, hash brown, baked beans, broccoli and cheddar soup, chilled pears, milk.

Friday, May 20 – Chicken, tuna or seafood salad sub, oven baked fries, pizza, cole slaw, clam chowder, orange smiles, milk.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, May 16 – Chicken pattie, French fries, peas, peaches.

Tuesday, May 17 – Taco or chicken fajita, tortilla chips, salsa, corn, fruit.

Wednesday, May 18 – Italian grinder, spicy fries, green beans, cookie.

Thursday, May 19 – Pasta with meat sauce, salad, bread, jello.

Friday, May 20 – Tuna, pizza, pretzels, veggie sticks, chilled fruit.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL, MATTAPOISETT

Monday, May 16 – Chicken tenders, creamy mashed potatoes, steamed peas, chicken rice soup, chilled pears, milk.

Tuesday, May 17 – Ham and cheese croissant, creamy tomato soup, potato salad, minestrone soup, strawberries, milk.

Wednesday, May 18 – Spaghetti with meatballs, pasta fajioli soup, pizza, warm garlic bread, tossed salad, chilled pineapple, milk.

Thursday, May 19 – BBQ pulled pork, hash brown, baked beans, broccoli and cheddar soup, chilled pears, milk.

Friday, May 20 – Chicken, tuna or seafood salad sub, oven baked fries, pizza, cole slaw, clam chowder, orange smiles, milk.

• ORR JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, May 16 – Chicken tenders, creamy mashed potatoes, steamed peas, chicken rice soup, chilled pears, milk.

Tuesday, May 17 – Ham and cheese croissant, creamy tomato soup, potato salad, minestrone soup, strawberries, milk.

Wednesday, May 18 – Spaghetti with meatballs, pasta fajioli soup, pizza, warm garlic bread, tossed salad, chilled pineapple, milk.

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Friday, May 20 – Chicken, tuna or seafood salad sub, oven baked fries, pizza, cole slaw, clam chowder, orange smiles, milk.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, May 16 – Chicken tenders, creamy mashed potatoes, steamed peas, chicken rice soup, chilled pears, milk.

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INNER VIEWS

Town Meeting Top Ten

By Kenneth J. Souza
news@wanderer.com

Having had to endure two late nights earlier this week covering the Annual Town Meeting proceedings in Mattapoisett, I found myself making a few interesting observations in between the pro-and-con banter and decided to list them in a format borrowed, appropriately enough, from another person familiar with "late nights": none other than David Letterman.

And so, without further commercial interruption, I present to you a countdown of the ***Top Ten Things at the 2005 Mattapoisett Annual Town Meeting You Might Have Otherwise Overlooked*** ... for wont of a better title:

10. Right off the bat, I think it should be said that the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" should only be reserved for pros like Celine Dion ... or maybe the occasional drunken Red Sox fan spilling beer on his shoes next to you at Fenway Park. No one should have to attempt the escalating scale of our glorious National Anthem right before three-and-a-half hours of Democracy in Action. Those singing flat next to me know who you are.

9. I think it's time for an across-the-board ban on any and all PowerPoint presentations at Town Meetings, at least for the foreseeable future. Not that these visual aids aren't helpful, but they typically mimic the same information provided to voters on handouts (as in the case of the Mattapoisett Library) or cause delays which end up being longer than the actual presentation (as in the case of the Mattapoisett Fire Department). Not to mention no one wants to see all the personal files and folders clogging up your laptop desktop on a wall-sized movie screen.

8. You ever notice that the amount of naysaying and seeming criticism over a particular article *never* matches the ultimate vote totals at Town Meetings? A succession of eight to 10 people will get up and discuss why the article should fail and then it passes with a vote of 240 to 4! *What happened to the other six people who initially were against it?* Maybe they were persuaded by that nifty PowerPoint presentation after all.

7. Those who don't attend Town Meetings because they're too long (like most of you reading this) or those who just want to get home in time to catch the seventh-inning stretch should take more advantage of the all-powerful "move the question" option. Think about it: it cuts off all debate and calls for an immediate vote on any article. In my perfect world, a savvy Town Meeting voter would always be waiting in the wings, eager to shoot his hand up like Arnold Horseshack in order to "move the question" right after each and every article. I think then you'd experience the first-ever 20-minute Town Meeting.

6. Granted, not everyone is a technical whiz, but here's a quick crash course in Microphones 101 that I hope everyone can follow: microphones generally have a single sliding toggle switch on the side — up is "on," down is "off." *And* runners like John DeCosta in Mattapoisett are usually kind enough to hand you a mike that's already on and good to go ... so, *puh-leeze*, no more fumbling with mikes, no more thumping it with fingers, no more blowing into it, and no more takes on the annoying "is this on?" cell phone commercials, *okay?* Save it for karaoke night at the Cathay Temple. I suggest "The Star-Spangled Banner."

5. On at least a couple of occasions during Town Meeting this week, members of the Mattapoisett Finance Committee (FinCom) were asked pointed questions about specific budget allocations from previous years and did nothing more than shrug and say "we don't have that information." Huh? One would think the *Finance* Committee would have all the pertinent *financial* information handy for Town Meeting ... especially little things like, say, *the budget*. I know the FinCom does a lot of preparation work *before* Town Meeting, but they really need to do more *during* the proceedings than fill each others' water glasses ... loudly into open microphones, I might add.

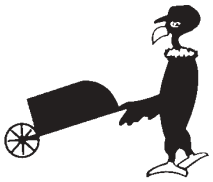
4. This one goes for all Town Meetings: to that one inevitable person who gets up and boasts "I'm loud enough to hear without a microphone," um, unless you're loud enough to be heard through time and space well into the homes of all those watching the future cable broadcast, *no, you're not*. Please wait for the microphone so we don't have to strain to hear mumbling akin to Charlie Brown's teacher.

3. Speaking of microphones, I don't think I can stress this enough: switch *up* is "on," *down* is "off."

2. Although it's no small task to plow through certain articles which really warrant a lot of discussion and debate, I think some serious thought should be given to one of those big clock timers like they use in TV game shows to cut off those who refuse to get to the point. Let's apply the same rules used for actual debates: a two- to three-minute statement followed by a one-minute rebuttal. That way we won't have to suffer the same repetitive rhetoric time and time again.

1. Last, but not least, you'd think supporters of an article on the warrant to fund renovations to and expansion of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library would heed the lessons of a good librarian and "be quiet" during their noisy and noticeable mass exodus right after the article passed. It's okay to gloat and celebrate, but not while there's still more taxpayer dollars to be spent.

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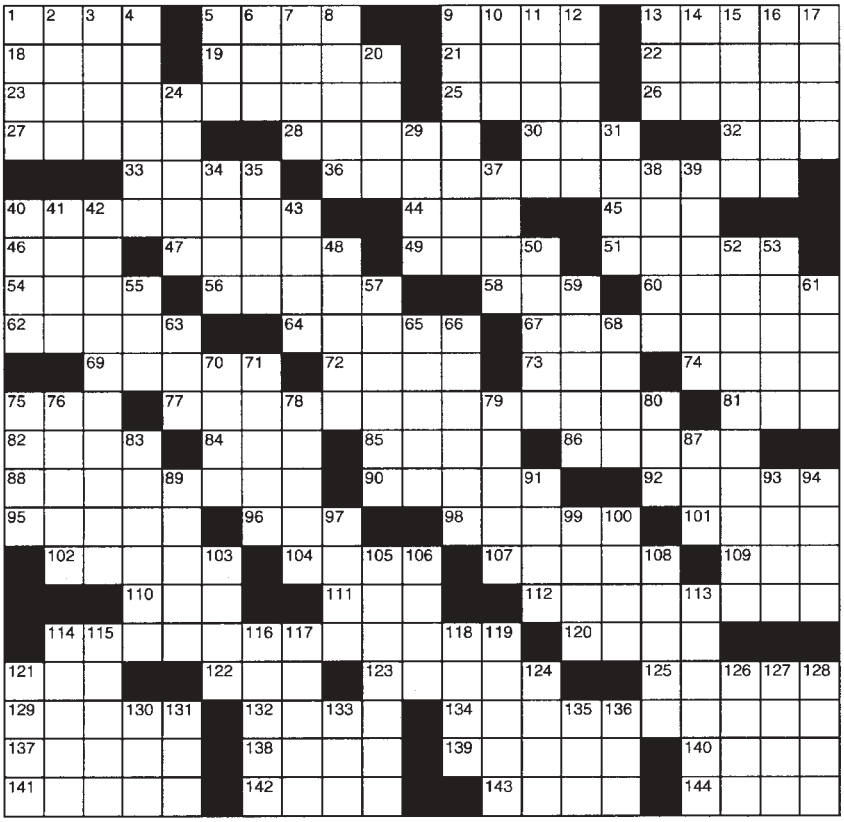
ONCE IS ENOUGH

ACROSS

1 Not quite closed
5 "Song of the South" title
9 Perched on
13 Tom of "Baretta"
18 — Linda, CA
19 Snorkel and straw
21 Capital of American Samoa?
22 — Lama
23 "The Flintstones" kid?
25 Word on a door
26 Dumbstruck
27 Hacienda material
28 New Archangel, now
30 Devour
32 Summer shade
33 "The — Hurrah" ('58 film)
36 Golfing legend?
40 Crestfallen
44 Volleyball divider
45 Bar supply
46 — Jima
47 Bittern kin
49 Limber with language
51 Dislodge
54 Enormous
56 Mideastern pockets
58 Sea plea
60 Cultural character
62 Composer Bruckner
64 Lloyd Webber musical
67 Leslie Charteris creation
69 Overflowing
72 — impasse
73 Toody or Muldoon
74 Eye problem
75 NYC division
77 Robert Conrad series?
81 Flat hat
82 Broccoli —
84 Nutritional abbr.
85 Tabriz currency
86 Sordid
88 South American capital
90 Subway feature
92 22 Across' home
95 Proclamations
96 "Platoon" setting
98 — -garde
101 Stromboli spew
102 Gown part
104 Temporary calm
107 Girl George?
109 Tuck's mate
110 Dovecote sound
111 "— Rita" ('42 film)
112 Contend
114 Eddie Cantor song?
120 Pay to play
121 TV's "People — Funny"
122 Pair
123 Harden
125 Brando's birthplace
129 "Gladiator" extra
132 Southern st.
134 NY correctional facility?
137 "The Jungle Book" character
138 Martin Balsam film?
139 Passover meal
140 Pkg. abbr.
141 Stephen Vincent —
142 Cruise
143 Major- —
144 Kansas city

DOWN

1 Jessica of "Dark Angel"
2 "The Grapes of Wrath" surname
3 Snowballs, sometimes
4 Wander
5 A/C measure
6 Massage
7 Peters out
8 Antique
9 Garments
10 Homeric character
11 Looked like Lothario?
12 — bear
13 Author LeShan
14 Greyhound's greeting
15 Make merry
16 South American capital
17 Jennifer of "Star Trek: Voyager"
20 Son of Adam
24 Attain
29 Sergeant Preston's dog
31 Buster Brown's dog
34 Tread
35 Actress Hatcher
37 Singer Redding
38 Donates
39 Legendary Colt Johnny
40 Callas or Caballe
41 Actor McGregor
42 Olympic skater?
43 Act like grandma
48 Maritime
50 Mess (up)
52 Dick Van Dyke film?
53 Mrs. Zhivago
55 Haul a heap
57 Lucknow lutes
59 Sole mates?
61 Petunia part
63 Apprehend
65 Implied
66 Turkish city
68 Duel tool
70 Darjeeling dress
71 Wore
75 Pitt of "The Mexican"
76 Desert refuge
78 Trite
79 "Gladiator" extra
80 Boone or Benatar
83 Lure
87 Part of MP
89 Chocolate substitute
91 Damon and Pythias
93 Wicked
94 Use the VCR
97 Darkness
99 Talbot or Naldi
100 Ripped
103 Spilled the beans
105 Progressive
106 Meat cut
108 Teach on the side
113 Sign of spring
114 Shattered
115 Neighbor of Oman
116 Bee and Em
117 Apres-ski quaff
118 Entertainer Tamblyn
119 Like a raisin
121 Spirited steed
124 Word form for "within"
126 About
127 Salute the moon?
128 Cultural grp.
130 Pub order
131 Basketball's Holman
133 "Exodus" protagonist
135 Tiffany treasure
136 Paid player



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A seemingly stalled romantic situation could benefit from your reassurance that you want this relationship to work. And if you do, use a tad more of that irresistible Aries charm.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Going to new places and meeting new people appeals to both the Taurean's romantic and practical side. After all, you never can tell where those new contacts can take you. Right?

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) That career-change opportunity that didn't work out when you first considered it could come up again. But this time, remember that you have more to offer and should act accordingly.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) There could be some tensions in relationships — domestic or workaday. But a calm approach that doesn't raise the anger levels and a frank discussion will soon resolve the problem.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's a good idea to begin preparing for that career change you've been thinking about for a while. Start to sharpen your skills and expand your background to be ready when it calls.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Bless that Virgo skepticism that has kept you from falling into traps others seem to rush into. But you might want to give a new possibility the benefit of the doubt, at least on a trial basis.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Traveling and career are strong in your aspect. Perhaps your job will take you to someplace exotic. Or you might be setting up meetings with potential clients or employers. Whatever it is, good luck.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Someone might use deception to try to push you into making a decision you're not fully comfortable with. But those keen Scorpio senses should keep you alert to any such attempt.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Romance dominates this week when Cupid spears the Archer, for a change. Positive things are also happening in the workplace. Expect important news to arrive by the week's end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Anyone trying to bully the Sea Goat — whether it involves a personal or a professional matter — will learn a painful lesson. Others will also benefit from the Goat's strong example.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Congratulations. With things going the way they are, you should be able to spare some time and take a break from your hectic schedule for some well-earned fun and games.

PISCES (February 19 to March 21) Your sharp Piscean intuition should be able to uncover the true agendas of those who might be trying to catch the Fish in one of their schemes.

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Annual Town Election

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF APPEALS
Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following applications:
Application of Louis & Janice Jenis of 5 Hilton Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 5 Hilton Avenue. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Law in order to construct a deck that will not meet the rear setback. The property is further described as Plat 2, Lot 65 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 6:00 PM. #998
Application of John Boza of 220 Mt. Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA 02746 re property located at 58 Fairhaven Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Section 3.2 of the Zoning By-Law to store a commercial fishing boat on the property. The property is further described as Plat 11, Lot 81 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 6:15 PM. #1000
Application of G. Daniel & Holly G. White of 9 Hammond Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 6 Baptist Street. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Section 5.4.3.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to have a small grooming business in the rear apartment. The property is further described as Plat 10, Lot 115 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 6:30 PM. #1001
Application of Elizabeth Frank of 12 Blackburn Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 by David Garro re property located at 6 Marston Court. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Law to construct a set of stairs used to access an elevated house that will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 5A, Lot 169 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 6:45 PM. #1002
Application of Patricia Kaneb/Charlee Realty Trust of 55 Sandy Pond Road, Lincoln, MA 01773 re property located at 84 Aucoot Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 5.2 and 5.1.5.2 of the Zoning By-Law to have a guesthouse. The property is further described as Plat 3, Lot 83A on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, May 19, 2005 at 7:00 PM. #1003
Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.
Jeffrey R. Chase, Chairperson
Nancy O'Brien
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Scott E. Pegurri 05/05, 05/12

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
CASE #563 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, June 2, 2005 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Gina and William T. Sprague, Sr. for a Special Permit under section(s) 6.1.2 of the zoning by-law to allow the change of a non-conforming use.
The property, located at 760 Mill Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 17 as Lot 4.
Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 05/12, 05/19

LEGAL NOTICE
MARION PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Marion School Committee regarding School Choice for the 2005-2006 school year at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, May 18, 2005, at the Sippican School, Spring Street, Marion, MA 05/12

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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 23, 2005 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall on an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation submitted by Brandt Island Realty Trust, 651 Orchard Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts 02740. The proposed project is to confirm the accuracy of the wetland delineation. No construction is proposed at this time. The project is located at 99 Brandt Island Road and is further identified as Lot 18 on Assessors Map 13.
Conservation Commission 05/12

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 23, 2005 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall on the request for an amended Order of Conditions filed by Roland A. Letendre Realty Trust. The amendment request is to relocate the water service from the location approved under DEP File #SE44-0864. The subject property is located off Holly Woods Road in Mattapoisett and is further identified as Lot 178 on Assessors Map 2.
Conservation Commission 05/12

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 18, 2005 at 7:40 PM in the Town House conference room on a Request for a Determination of Applicability #41D-1224 submitted by THE KITTANSETT CLUB for clearing brush & vegetation on Lots 8B and 32 at 11 Point Road, as shown on Marion Assessors' Plan 1. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Norman A. Hills, Vice Chairman 05/12

SPORTS QUIZ
By Chris Richcreek

1. Who was the last manager before Minnesota's Ron Gardenhire to win at least 90 games each of his first three seasons as a manager?
2. Name the last infield before the 2004 Texas Rangers to have four players hit 20 or more home runs each in the same season.
3. Who were the five quarterbacks taken in the first round of the 1983 NFL Draft after John Elway was picked with the first selection?
4. Where did Florida State men's basketball head coach Leonard Hamilton begin his college head-coaching career?
5. In 1979, there was no NHL All-Star Game. What replaced it?
6. Which U.S. swimmer won the 1,500-meter men's freestyle event in 1972 (Hint: It was not Mark Spitz)?
7. Name the only men's golfer to lose three U.S. Open playoffs.

Answers
1. Davey Johnson with the New York Mets (1984-86).
2. The 1940 Boston Red Sox: Jimmie Foxx (36), Bobby Doerr (22), Jim Tabor (21) and Joe Cronin (24).
3. Todd Blackledge (7th pick), Jim Kelly (14), Tony Eason (15), Ken O'Brien (24) and Dan Marino (27).
4. Oklahoma State in 1986.
5. The Challenge Cup series, with NHL stars versus the USSR.
6. Mike Burton, who also won the gold medal in 1968 in the same event.
7. Arnold Palmer (1962, '63 and '66).

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Memory Impairment Group

"Caring for Someone With Memory Impairment," an Education and Support Group presented by Community Nurse and Hospice Care will be held at Sippican School in Marion from 4:30 to 5:30 pm on the following Wednesdays: June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, and October 12. The purpose of the Education Program is

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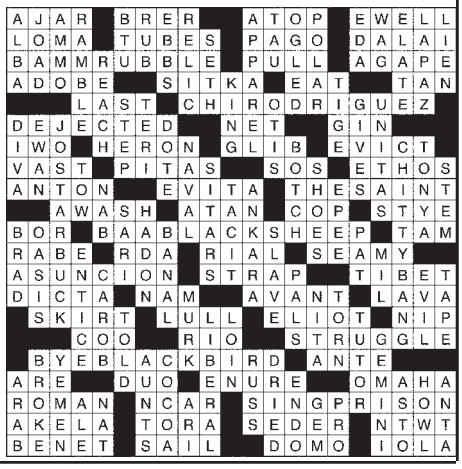
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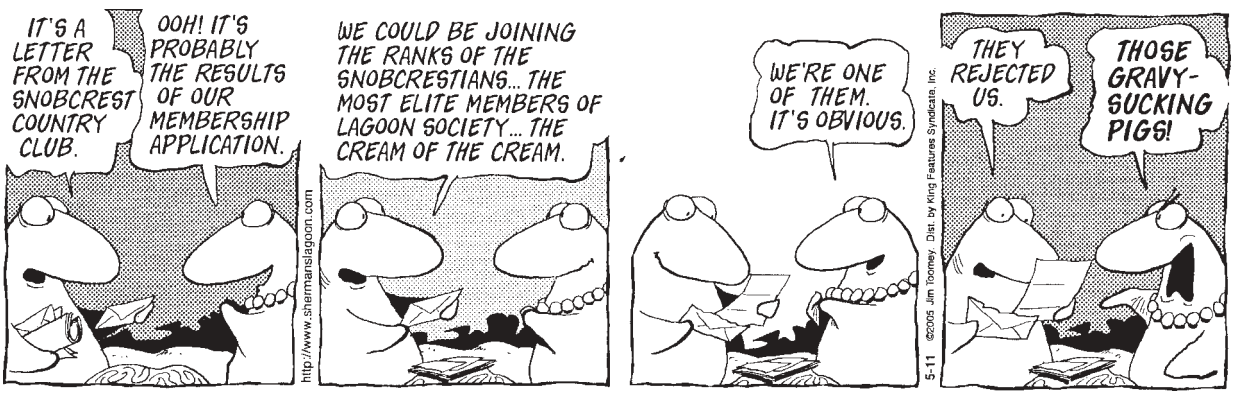
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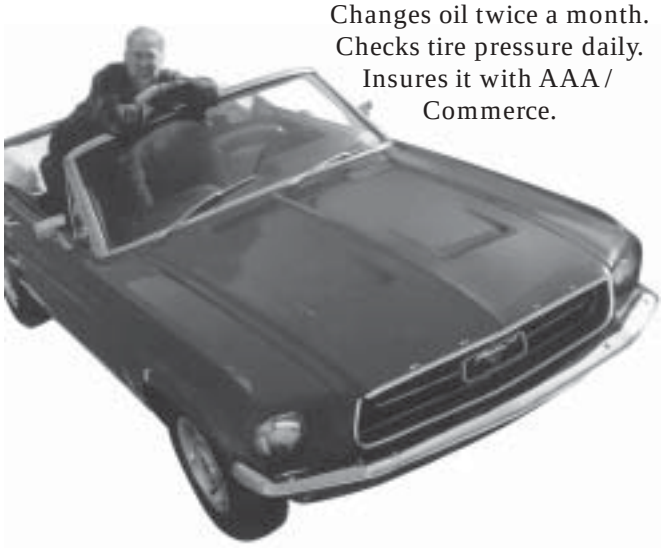
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May 12:	Thurs.	11:40	11:50	4:50	4:35
May 13:	Fri.	. . .	12:28	5:31	5:21
May 14:	Sat.	12:35	1:17	6:18	6:13
May 15:	Sun.	1:22	2:07	7:17	7:17
May 16:	Mon.	2:10	2:58	8:30	8:40
May 17:	Tues.	3:02	3:50	9:32	9:55
May 18:	Wed.	3:58	4:42	10:17	10:51
May 19:	Thurs.	4:55	5:31	10:56	11:38
May 20:	Fri.	5:48	6:17	11:33	. . .
May 21:	Sat.	6:38	7:02	12:22	12:11
May 22:	Sun.	7:25	7:46	1:07	12:51
May 23:	Mon.	8:11	8:33	1:54	1:34
May 24:	Tues.	8:59	9:21	2:42	2:19
May 25:	Wed.	9:49	10:13	3:30	3:07
May 26:	Thurs.	10:42	11:07	4:19	3:57
May 27:	Fri.	11:38	. . .	5:10	4:50
May 28:	Sat.	12:04	12:36	6:06	5:49
May 29:	Sun.	1:02	1:35	7:11	7:04

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